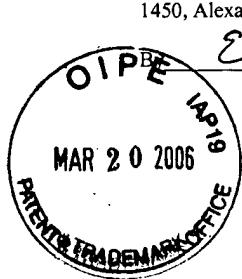


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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
(37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))

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Commissioner:

The applicant respectfully requests an extension of time of two months to respond to the Office Action mailed October 18, 2005. An appropriate response in the form of a request for continued examination and an amendment is enclosed herewith.

Form PTO-2038 authorizing credit card payment of the fee of \$450 is enclosed.

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